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Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered, without prejudice:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3.

Amendments to the Sequence Listing begin on page 5.

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This version of the paragraph on page 127, line 29 to page 128, line 13 will replace all prior versions of the paragraph in the specification:

In accordance with the present invention, a series of nucleic acid duplexes comprising the antisense compounds of the present invention and their complements can be designed to target superoxide dismutase-1, soluble. The nucleobase sequence of the antisense strand of the duplex comprises at least a portion of an oligonucleotide to superoxide dismutase-1, soluble as described herein. The ends of the strands may be modified by the addition of one or more natural or modified nucleobases to form an overhang. The sense strand of the dsRNA is then designed and synthesized as the complement of the antisense strand and may also contain modifications or additions to either terminus. For example, in one embodiment, both strands of the dsRNA duplex would be complementary over the central nucleobases, each having overhangs at one or both termini. For example, a duplex comprising an antisense strand having the sequence CGAGAGGCGGACGGGACCG and having a two-nucleobase overhang of deoxythymidine(dT) would have the following structure:

cgagaggcggacgggaccgTT	Antisense Strand (SEQ ID NO: 340)
TTgctctccgcctgcctggc	Complement (SEQ ID NO: 341)

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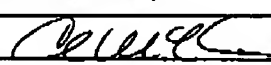
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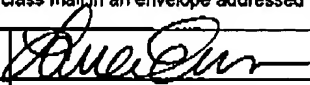
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